

# Governor's Health Reform Commission

Presentation to  
Joint Commission on Health Care  
*October 26, 2007*

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## Agenda

- Recap of Health Reform Commission
- Review of Public Comment
- Report Overview
- Priority Recommendations

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## Health Reform Commission Recap

- Convened in October 2006
  - Five full Commission meetings
  - Six public hearings
  - More than 20 workgroup meetings
- Workgroups provided 70+ recommendations for the Commission's review
- Based on Commission discussions, HRC staff has identified 40 priority recommendations in the final report
- Final Report has been posted online and given to the Governor
  - [www.hhr.virginia.gov](http://www.hhr.virginia.gov)

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## Public Comment

Area	# of Comments	Percent of Total Comments
Access to Healthcare	55	7.44%
<b>Expansion of Medicaid/FAMIS</b>	125	16.91%
<b>Dental Coverage</b>	111	15.02%
Mental Health Accessibility	16	2.17%
<b>LTC— Community Integration and HCBS</b>	126	17.05%
<b>LTC—Direct Support Professionals</b>	105	14.21%
Nursing Workforce	22	2.98%
Tobacco Use	5	0.07%
<b>School Breakfast and Lunch Program</b>	137	18.54%
Infant Mortality	15	2.03%
Miscellaneous	22	2.98%
<b>Total Submissions</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

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# Report Overview

- “Roadmap for Virginia’s Health”
- Establishes 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> tier priorities for the Governor
- Sections:
  - Executive Summary & Introduction
  - Workforce
  - Access to Care
  - Quality, Transparency, & Prevention
  - Long-Term Care
  - Public Comment
  - Appendices

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# Proposed 1st Tier Priorities

<b>Workforce</b>	
• Healthcare Workforce Data Center	\$ 600,000
• Physician Retention – Increased staff support for federal designations	\$ 176,623
• Direct Support Professional Loan Repayment Program	\$ 50,000
• Replicate DMAS PCA Grant in 6 sites	\$ 1,036,800
<b>Access to Care</b>	
• Working Uninsured Option	\$ 20,000,000
• Increase Safety Net Funding	\$ 10,000,000
<b>Prevention</b>	
• Prevention Collaborative	\$ 8,000,000
<b>Quality</b>	
• Medicaid Pay for Performance Program for Nursing Homes	\$ 8,000,000
<b>Long-Term Care</b>	
• Obtain Funding to Implement Money Follows the Person Demonstration	(\$ 975,000)
• Continue support of Acute and Long-Term Care Integration	\$ 0
• Increase Medicaid Personal Attendant Services Reimbursement Rate 10% for Consumer-Directed Waiver Program	\$ 2,600,000

**Subtotal First Tier Priorities \$ 49,488,423**

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## Proposed 2nd Tier Priorities

<b>Workforce</b>	
• Physician Retention – Loan Repayment (50 additional awards)	\$ 2,500,000
• Nurse Retention – Masters/PhD Loan Assistance/Scholarship (30 additional awards)	\$ 600,000
<b>Access to Care</b>	
• Medicaid Expansion to 65% FPL (with routine dental services)	\$ 39,700,000
• FAMIS Expansion from 200% to 300% FPL	\$ 2,000,000
<b>Infant Mortality</b>	
• Designate Perinatal Underserved Areas	\$ 66,000
• Home Visiting Programs	\$ 6,800,000
• Universal Risk Screen	\$ 33,000
<b>Obesity</b>	
• School Breakfast / Lunch	\$ 8,050,000
• PE Benchmarks (software cost)	\$ 50,000
• Healthy Food Bulk Purchasing - Schools	\$ -
<b>Tobacco Use</b>	
• Increase State Employee Smoking Cessation Attempts	\$ 30,000
• Healthy Lifestyle Insurance Discount	\$ -
• Increase Medicaid Personal Care Reimbursement Rate 10% for Non-Consumer-Directed Waiver Services	\$ 10,800,000
<b>Subtotal Second Tier Priorities</b>	<b>\$ 70,629,000</b>

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## Proposed 3rd Tier Priorities

<b>Access to Care</b>	
• Medicaid Dental Coverage for Currently Enrolled Caretaker Adults	\$ 3,200,000
• FAMIS MOMS Expansion (200% FPL)	\$ 1,600,000
<b>Transparency</b>	
• One portal providing transparent information on healthcare costs and quality to consumers	\$ 200,000
<b>Prevention</b>	
• SIDS Campaign	\$ 156,000
<b>Long-Term Care</b>	
• Continue No Wrong Door Implementation	\$ 2,000,000
<b>Subtotal Third Tier Priorities</b>	<b>\$ 7,156,000</b>

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# Proposed Non-Budgetary Priority Items

Area	Legislation
Workforce	• Expand scope of practice for physician extenders
	• Remove barriers for State Employees to reenter nurse workforce
	• Enable WIBs to have sector strategy, specifically nursing and direct support professionals
Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluate Medicaid provider access biennially</li> <li>• Annually or biennially study Virginia's uninsured population</li> </ul>
Prevention	• CDC School Health Program
	• Amend Clean Indoor Air Act
Long-Term Care	• Establish a LTC Coordination Council
	• Establish a LTC Advisory Council
	• Require local LTC councils to include housing and transportation agencies
	• Study the current network of community-based caregiver support organizations
Area	Other
Prevention	• Through EO, require all state agencies and institutions to have x% of healthy food options by 2009
	• Develop additional incentives and support mechanisms to increase school participation in the Governor's Nutrition and Physical Activity Scorecard program